Ans. to 7th Inter. I would not now invest money under the circumstances in which the company is placed, in the stock, its credit having to some extent been impaired by being the subject of enquiry and litigation.

Inter. 8. Have private stockholders owning at least 1,133 shares of the capital stock of the Eastern Shore Rail Road Company, made any, and what payments on their shares, since the

adjournment of the last legislature.

Answer to 8th Inter. They have paid the fourth instalment of three dollars, and the fifth instalment of five dollars, some of the stockholders had paid the fourth instalment at the time of the last investigation.

Inter. 9. Have the payments been made recently or not?—When were they made? Have they been made in cash or has the company first been indebted to the stockholders, then suffered those debts to be considered as a payment of the instalments demanded.

Ans. to 9th Inter. Some of the instalments were paid in cash, others were paid by persons having orders on the treasurer for claims due from the company, others by order of the board were charged upon contracts some time since made by the board.

Inter. 10. Has Mr. Duval paid the instalments on his stock in cash? If not in cash in what way has it been paid? Has he ever given his consent for the payment to be made? State the particulars of time, place and manner of said payment on said Duval's stock.

Ans. to 10th Inter. When Mr. Duval entered into contract with the company for graduation of the road in September, 1838, he agreed to take in payment of his contract, two hundred shares of stock. Instalments due thereon, including the fifth, have been charged as payments on said contract. As to the enquiry whether Mr. Duval has ever given his consent for payment thus be made, I answer that he has never expressed his disapprobation, neither does this deponent believe he could have any objection, as it was in compliance with the contract with the company, which was and still is indebted to him, after the payment of all instalments due to this time on the stock.

Inter. 11. Have Mr. Norris and R. Imlay paid the instalments on their stock? If yea, in what manner has the same been paid? Was it in cash or otherwise? if otherwise state particularly and circumstantially the manner in which it has been done, whether the company is indebted to them, for what amount and for what services.

Ans. to 11th Inter. The directors during the year 1838, contracted with those gentlemen for locomotive engines and rail road cars, in payment for which they agreed to take the first mentioned one hundred, and the latter fifty shares of stock, the instalments due on those the directors agreed to charge to those gentlemen as payment on said contracts, until the cars and engines were wanted.